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In re Application of:

Juliette QUARTARATO et al.

Examiner: Norton, Nadine G.

Serial No.: 09/297,737

Group Art Unit: 1764

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Title: CATALYST HAVING AT LEAST ONE ELEMENT OF GROUP VIIB AND ITS
USE HYDRO-TREATING

REPLY

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the office action dated July 2, 2003, please amend the claims as follows and consider the remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.